



Via ECFS

November 30, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: *In the Matter of Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization*, WC Docket No. 11-42, **Notice for Forbearance from Lifeline Broadband Internet Access Service Requirements**

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Pursuant to the *Lifeline Modernization Order* ("Order"),¹ Iowa RSA 2 Limited Partnership ("Iowa RSA 2") hereby avails itself of the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC" or "Commission") grant of forbearance from the requirement to provide broadband Internet access service ("BIAS") as a Lifeline service. Iowa RSA 2 may, however, voluntarily decide to offer and receive reimbursement for providing Lifeline-supported BIAS in all or portions of the area in which it is designated an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC"). Pursuant to the guidance provided in Public Notice DA 16-1316,² Iowa RSA 2 provides the following information:

ETC Name: Iowa RSA 2 Limited Partnership d/b/a Chat Mobility

ETC Designation Order: Iowa RSA 2 Limited Partnership, Order Designating Eligible Carrier, Docket No. 199 IAC 39.2(4), State of Iowa, Department of Commerce, Utilities Board (Issued September 17, 2002).

Type of Designation: Competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carrier receiving frozen, phased-down high-cost support.

Forbearance Area: Iowa RSA 2 avails itself of blanket forbearance throughout the entire geographic area in which it is designated an ETC, which includes Clarke, Decatur, Lucas,

¹ See *Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization et al.*, WC Docket No. 11-42 et al., Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, 31 FCC Red 3962 (2016) ("*Lifeline Modernization Order*").

² Public Notice, "Wireline Competition Bureau Provides Guidance Regarding Filing Procedures For Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Seeking To Invoke Forbearance Granted By Lifeline Modernization Order," DA 16-1316 (rel. Nov. 22, 2016).

Ringgold, Union, and Wayne counties in Iowa. Attachment A is an Excel document listing the 15-digit census blocks, including FIPS codes, for the areas where Iowa RSA 2 invokes the Lifeline BIAS forbearance. Iowa RSA 2 has made every effort to comprehensively list all census blocks where it is an ETC. In the event that any census blocks were inadvertently omitted from Attachment A, Iowa RSA 2 reserves the right to supplement this filing to make administrative corrections to Attachment A.

Please contact our FCC counsel, Greg Whiteaker (202-600-7274) or Robin Tuttle (202-827-0667), if you have any questions regarding this notice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Mauer", with a stylized, flowing script.

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Attachment

cc Universal Service Administrative Company
(Via Email, TelcoLifeline@usac.org)